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**Subject:** FW: Inspection report on Arkema, Crosby facility?  
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**Subject:** RE: Inspection report on Arkema, Crosby facility?

After looking over the information I have from the last 5 years in ECHO, it doesn't look like we have inspected the Crosby facility. Lisa Schaub is looking through ICIS for further history.

An inspector was planning to inspect the Arkema – Houston facility in October 2017.

In our region, it looks like there are facilities in Houston, Crosby, and Beaumont at least. There is also a facility in Hahnville, LA that is not Title V.

Let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,  
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This is a Title V facility. Per the inspector informed me that she was schedule to conduct an inspection in October 2017.

Facility has not been inspected in the last 5 years.

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Sam, Monica – not sure which side of the Region would have inspected the Arkema facility, but Barry Breen is requesting to see any inspection reports or results we have for that facility. If you could forward anything you have, we would appreciate it. (We already have the RMP itself, so no need to send that).

Thanks,

Jim Belke

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**Subject:** FW: When RID folks get in to the office

Just checking to see if the information you sent earlier addresses Barry's request below.

Thanks

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Would you ask them to forward us the RMP info we have on the Arkema plant? Especially the submissions to us from the facility, and the date and results of last inspection ( I see it was planned due for one in October, and I wanted to ask about previous)

Begin forwarded message:

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National Response Center received a report from Arkema concerning an explosion at their facility due to a loss of power at approximately 2:45 am this morning (31 August).

EPA emergency response personnel in Texas are in direct with contact first responders in Harris County and providing federal assistance and resources.

(Bob Royal, Harris County Hazmat team and David Wade, Harris County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management)

Harris County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management is conducting air monitoring in the area.

EPA ASPECT aircraft has been deployed to secure chemical information from the smoke cloud. The aircraft has departed from Addison airfield and providing real-time chemical information instantaneously to assist first responders. The aircraft measures for 78 chemical compounds including peroxides and sulfur dioxides.

EPA's federal On-scene Coordinator will be on-scene shortly to ensure all federal resources are available to first responders. Under the National Contingency Plan, EPA assumes the lead responsibility for the federal government in assisting the state and local first responders.

EPA is also sending additional air monitoring personnel and equipment to augment the current effort of the state and local first responders. Monitoring teams from Houston area will be on-scene in the next few hours.

EPA will remain on-scene until conditions are stabilized and state/local first responders give the all-clear.

Notes:

The site is an Risk Management Plan (RMP) facility under Clean

Air Act, Process Safety Management (PSM) under OSHA, and Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standard (CFATS) under Department of Homeland Security.

They were on the RMP joint EPA/TCEQ inspection schedule for October 2017.

EPA Enforcement and Compliance History On-line (ECHO) database does not show any significant compliance violations for the facility.

Aspect flew the area yesterday and did not measure any vapors or releases from the site. A photo is attached. Also, an ASPECT FACT SHEET is attached.

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